Neighborhood Advisory Group Meeting San Jose City Hall Wing, Room W118-119 June 20, 2007 Minutes

6:09 pm- Agenda Item I

- Councilman Liccardo welcomed the group and thanked everyone for their interest and participation.
- He introduced the Chair, Don Gagliardi and Vice-Chair, Beth Shafran-Mukai and the new summer interns.
- Councilman Liccardo hands the meeting over to Don Gagliardi.
- Don reiterated the purpose of the NAG as a tool for identifying neighborhood concerns and providing ideas and solutions for Sam's office to focus their efforts.
- Don explained the process of having SNI/NAC representatives as voting members for the NAG and reminded folks that everyone present was welcome and encouraged to participate in the working groups.
- Don commended the group for taking part in this revolutionary experiment.

6:22 pm- Agenda Item II

 Don directed folks to the working groups to elect a chair and vice-chair and discuss the scope of their group topic and meeting dates.

6:45 pm- Agenda Item III

- Don asked each group to introduce their chair and vice-chair and provide a brief summary.
- Youth and Gang Abatement: Chair- Adan Lupercio, Vice-Chair Joan Rivas-Cosby. Next meeting date set for July 18, 5:30-7:30pm at the Convention Center. The meeting will focus on a survey and walking tour of the neighborhood. Group suggestions to identify gangs by name and review previous failed youth programs. Staff intern contact: Anngiely Salvacion at anngiely.salvacion@sanjoseca.gov
- <u>Streets, Sidewalks and Infrastructure</u>: Chair- Joseph Parra, Vice-Chair Richard Ajluni. Next meeting date will be set by e-mail. Vendome neighborhood cited as example of traffic calming process. Park strip beautification, tree planting and street cleaning are examples of focus for group. Staff intern contact: Obaid Khan at obaid.khan@sanjoseca.gov
- Parks, Pools, Trails, Libraries and Community Centers: Chair- Frank
 Penrose, Vice-Chairs Bob Carlson and Linda Cortez. Meetings to be held
 directly after NAG meetings. A matrix was created for existing parks.
 Additional matrices will be created for all D3 resources. These matrices

- will provide a platform for measurement and reporting current property conditions, as well as providing space for new locations. Staff intern contact: Kevin Starry at kevin.starry@sanjoseca.gov
- Don stated that he anticipates that the success of these groups will depend on the work put in outside of NAG meetings. Upcoming NAG meetings will have time allocated for working group updates.
- These meetings and activities are open to all.

7:05 pm- Agenda Item IV

- Don introduces Beth Shafran-Mukai to discuss the Neighborhood Commission.
- Beth explains that the Neighborhood Commission is not D3 or SNI specific, but will provide a voice for neighborhoods throughout the City. The Commission is devising outreach strategies to be diverse and inclusive. Elections will be held in the January-February '08 timeframe. The Commission will go before the City Council this August.
- Don recognizes Beth's efforts on this project. He recommends that the NAG be open to projects of this nature that may be long-term.

7:15 pm- Agenda Item V

- Tina Morrill voices concerns she has received for the ease of use of BigTent and requests feedback as to preference of Big Tent vs. Yahoo.
- Khanh provides an onscreen walk-thru of Big Tent to highlight features.
- Group discussion on benefits and concerns.

7:26 pm- Agenda Item VI

- Don asks that before the next meeting folks familiarize themselves with Big Tent and we will re-visit its usability at the next meeting.
- Frank Penrose offered his services to personally help anyone having difficulties with Big Tent.

7:32 pm- Meeting adjourned.

NO MEETING IN JULY.

NEXT MEETING: WEDS. AUGUST 29, AT 6:00 PM. IN CITY HALL WING ROOM 120/BAMBOO GARDEN. THIS MEETING WILL BE A BBQ, BRING YOUR NEIGHBORS. ALL ARE WELCOME!